

NEWS FROM ALL OVER IMPERIAL MISSOURI

**Interesting Happenings Which Have Taken Place
in the Greatest State in the Union.**

**The Product of the Scissors, the Pen and a Very
Little Actual Manual Labor.**

The last census shows only two non-residents of Texas county out of a total of 21,424.

Chillicothe is about to vote on a \$120,000 bond proposition to combine their water and light plant.

Mr. Geneva's county will construct an addition to its court house at a cost of \$14,000.

Merchants at Tina, Carroll county, are exhibiting the season's first three-legged chicken.

Butler, Adriam, Rich Hill and Hume are candidates for the honor of hosting the next Cass county poultry show.

A fine of \$1,000 recently assessed against a Lincoln county bootlegger was the largest ever imposed for the offense in that county.

Being without a pastor the Christian church at Mildred put a want ad in the religious publications and received forty responses.

The merchants and business men of King City will turn loose 14 turkeys on the street this afternoon.

Two prisoners broke jail at Maryville Monday night, but were captured at Conception in 30 minutes after the alarm was given.

Every boy looks forward to the time when he will be 21 and his own man, after which he is apt to get married, says the Lawrence Chieftain.

A Johnson county calf hit a woman so the bigger the other day and then got so ashamed of itself that it died in a few hours.

The table made by the Boston & San Fran. of Del Rio, cut by the bill of his pocket knife, was recently sold for \$100 to a New York woman visiting in Del Rio.

The postmaster at Diamond left a note on his safe telling burglars not to open it without dynamite. This took him at his word and scared \$15.

"The older you are, the more I can love you," was a part of a letter from a young woman who had heard that a prosperous Mason always wanted to marry, and he is wondering what the meant.

The postoffice at East Howard County, was visited Tuesday night. Two freight cars standing on a side track were also burned. The work is believed to have been done by tramps.

All the postoffices in Holt are now filled by Democrats except Oregon City. Bigelow's office has had a Democratic postmaster for years, but the Civil Service exams

care of a heavier express and passenger traffic.

Two mischievous visitors broke up a poker game the other evening. The visitors wore masks and hooded caps would not have been half so effective at getting the money as were the pistols by which they claimed title to the gamblers' bank rolls.

According to the Sentinel's complete records of Holt county births, there were 133 boys and 97 girls born in the county during the year 1914, which exceeds the deaths enough to make more than Holt county's population is not on the increase.

J. W. Smith, of Burlington Junction, was the first white child born in Nodaway county. He is seventy-three years old, about the same age as Wm. Milligan, the first white child born in Atchison county.

During year 1914 Nodaway county paid \$25,384.72 on roads and bridges according to the report of the county highway engineer, John M. Clark. Monday afternoon in the County court. The larger part of this amount is for concrete culverts and for bridges.

There is one man in Warrensburg whose name is written high in the book of those who love their fellowmen. His name is not published, but every Christmas he sends to it that a dollar bill reaches each inmate of the Johnson county almshouse.

Civil service examinations for fourth class positions will be held in Kansas City, St. Joseph and Clinton on Saturday, February 20th.

The Carthage Democrat started a "contest". The other day, but soon realizing it was a ruined business, paid the contestants for their effort and quit.

There is a couple in Kirkville who were married in August, 1914, separated in December, 1914, and have since pending in the January, 1915 circuit court. There's some place to this kind of business.

A man died at Springfield whose skull was injured on November 19 last by an enraged Johnson boy which tossed him thirty feet into the air, and the man fell to the ground on his head.

Of fourteen nephews and cousins fighting with the English army, Mrs. J. H. Lightner of Monroe county has lost all fifteen that thirteen were killed and the fourteenth had both legs.

Of course it's a typographical error, such as may slip into newspaper but association with a beautiful father suggests hope against hopeless to the two in the Rockville theater. What are the parents of this baby boy?

Hodges tried the plan for a year as an experiment, a Brashear man announces that the plan of offering at auction all unpaid accounts is a success and that they will continue selling past due claims to the highest bidder.

At Dugger Bluff last week employees of the Iron Mountain Railroad found in a coil of wire in the warehouse a bundle containing postage stamps to the value of \$500. How they came there is not known.

The Oregon Interurban railway filed its own bills during the general business depression of 1914 holding but a little less freight than during the year before with taking

As a result of putting mud water

in an empty hot boiler which was connected with a saw mill located on the Henry Folk farm near Beverly, burns with fatal results to Noah Tracy and George Tracy and serious injuries to Joe Tracy, all of whom were working near the boiler at the time, cutting wood for big mowers.

Ephorus Gunn did not even offer the excuse that he was ledged when called into court to answer a charge of cruelty to animals. Gunn, a Nodaway county negro, rode a mule to Maryville, hitched the animal about 4 o'clock in the afternoon of one day and let it stay there until the following morning. The police judge thought it would be about right.

Thursday at 7:10 p. m. the large barn of Overton Harris at Harris was burned. About \$15,000 worth of grain and 40 head of cattle, including four of Mr. Harris' fine Hereford show cattle—three cows and one bull were consumed in the flames. The loss is estimated at \$50,000 with only \$1,700 insurance, that was on the barn and grain.

The Parnell Sentinel notes the fact that fifty years ago, in 1865, wheat stood at \$2.20 a bushel and corn at \$1.89 per bushel. Cooper and corn of Maryland goes a little better. While conducting the laundress mill, on the Plastic river at Parnell, in 1887, he says he bought wheat at \$2 a bushel and said flour for \$6 per hundred pounds, and cornmeal at \$1.50 a bushel.

Chas. Williams, the negro who shot Jacob Abey at the Wahash depot on the morning of December 16, was given a heavy sentence by the jury Tuesday. The jury deliberated less than an hour, then entered a verdict of guilty of killing and an accomplice punishment of life years in the penitentiary.

During the meeting at Union church, one mile southeast of Millington, last night, a rock was thrown through the window causing quite a commotion and interrupting the services. Parties at once went outside to search for the guilty one and in the discussion Will and Jimmenger Johnson involved in a dispute as to who threw the stone, which ended up by Will stabbing Jimmenger just above the heart, inflicting what he feared may prove a fatal wound.

At Elmer Davis' home, north of Tarkio, the night last week, some senseless ignoramus pulled one of Mr. Davis' horses to the fence and shot it in the eye with a rifle, hitting the animal mortally. Mr. Davis was gone enough to get a little information out of it, understanding the exact address. Elmer Noffsinger's blood mounds from shooting and then, in charge of Deputy Sheriff Reynolds and Constable Oscar Crooks, must have given somebody a bad two or three hours and Mr. Davis some satisfaction, although there was no sufficient evidence for a conviction. But they chased around and around, out in that country.

Don't Read This

Unless you want a nice little 80-acre farm in Clark county, No. 30 or 40 acres in cultivation, well fenced, good soil, with water, close to town, school and church all could easily be cultivated some good time.

Price, \$7,000. Would trade for good St. Joseph property and carry as much as \$10,000 back on the place for \$1,000.00. Write to C. F. Watt, 118 Francis Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

Better go buy if you want this.

For sale by

R. C. COX

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Wm. N. Linn, Attorney for Plaintiff

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration on the estate of Lydia Estelle Bowes, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Buchanan County, Missouri bearing date of the 25th day of January, 1915.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months from the date of said letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate, and if no claim be exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

Dated this 29th day of January, 1915.

MARY A. WILLIAMS

Public Administrator

First insertion, Jan. 29, 1915.

REVISON OF THE STATUTES

Ten New Sections Are Levelled at Attorneys and Will Hold Them.

But few people understand the provisions recommended by the Code Revision committee which has submitted its report to the legislature. Through the work of the commission ten new sections levelled at lawyers themselves are recommended to take the place of thirteen repealed. The ten sections are intended to drive from the legal profession lawyers guilty of unprofessional conduct or dishonesty.

The commission recommends the removal of 27 sections of the code, enact about 40 new sections and amend between 150 and 200 sections.

The bill drafted touching civil procedure seek to accomplish the following important results:

To make writ returnable at a day certain, not exceeding twenty days instead of next term of court.

Requiring defendant to plead on return day of court.

Requiring personal service when possible.

To abolish demurrers and other dilatory pleas.

To abolish general denial.

To authorize defendant to set up counter claim.

To require courts to disregard any error in the pleadings which do not affect the substantial rights of the litigants, and prohibiting the reversal of cases on account of such errors.

To authorize courts to allow amendments and corrections.

To authorize the circuit judges to hear evidence upon the good faith of an application to confirm a case.

To abolish motions in arrest of judgment and providing that errors committed of most be specifically stated.

To abolish the laying of exceptions.

Abolishing necessity of affidavit for appeal.

To abolish distinction between record and record proper.

To regulate the rules of the appellate courts to conform to those of the trial courts.

To give the appellate courts authority to affirm in part and reverse or restrain only the issues affected by the error.

The measures prepared for introduction in the legislature recommend the following change in the criminal statutes:

To permit amendment of indictments or information any time before the trial of the case.

To authorize the filing of information in felony cases without preliminary examination.

To abolish the attorney fee for motions and technicalities.

To prevent the reversal of cases because it was surmised that the defendant was attorney and pleased not witness.

To require the docketing of cases thirty days from date of service.

To require all objections to the form and sufficiency of an indictment or information to be presented in one motion.

To prevent continuances by agreement between prosecuting attorney and the defendant for the purpose of trial.

To reduce the number of peremptory challenges on juries from thirty-six to twelve and giving the state and defendant an equal number of challenges.

To prohibit the reversal of criminal cases unless error in the trial case would work substantial injustice to the defendant.

It is recommended that the estates of supreme and appellate judges be increased.

This measure proposes the creation of a commission of three to hear the St. Louis Court of Appeals.

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Announcing Hirsch's Tenth Annual FEBRUARY SILK SALE

In which are featured all the new and fashionable silks for

Spring and Summer of

1915

Week of Feb. 1st to 8th

Nothing new and desirable omitted from the display and all prices are very special FOR THE ONE WEEK. Read complete announcements in Sunday's Gazette and the News-Press Next Week.

Hirsch Bros Dry Goods Co.

Member Retail Merchants Association Railroad Fare Rebated

A "Dime" Pocket Savings Bank---FREE

If you will sign this card and present it IN PERSON at this Bank you will receive FREE one of our "Dime" Pocket Savings Banks, for dimes. Each card represents a bank. Please present promptly.

The Burnes National Bank, St. Joseph, Mo.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of one "DIME" POCKET SAVINGS BANK, which I agree to use to the best of my ability.

NAME _____

RESIDENCE _____

DATE _____

"You have the Bank" "We have the Key"

E.M. Watts

Announces the opening of a new

PLUMBING AND

HEATING

ESTABLISHMENT

Everything new and up to date.

Mr. Watts has for the last six years been in charge of the Plumbing and Heating Department of the Enright & Watts Co., a corporation Plaintiff vs. Emma J. Johnson and John C. Landis, Jr. Defendants.

Now at this day comes the plaintiff by his attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant, Emma Johnson, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and does not reside therein, and is not subject to the laws of this state to be served upon her in this state, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced its suit in this Court against said defendants by petition and the other papers in the cause, which before the filing of the petition, the plaintiff, by the City of St. Joseph, Extension Addition, to the state of Missouri, for the sum of \$1,000,000, and that the same be served upon him in the manner of law, and that he appear in the next term of this Court to be begun and held at the Court House in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of May, 1915, and that the plaintiff's petition be taken for cause to be tried and judgment rendered accordingly, and said property sold to pay said judgment and costs.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the County of Buchanan, for four weeks successively, the last insertion of which to be at least fifteen days before the next May, 1915, term of this court.

ROB C. COX

Att. Mr. E. M. Dunn, The Clerk